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SUBJ: PREPARATION OF CONGRESSIONAL PRESENTATION DOCUMENT
FOR FY 1979 SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

REF: (A) STATE 290763, (B) STATE 295619 (NOTAL)

1. SINCE EL SALVADOR HAS RENOUNCED SECURITY ASSISTANCE
WE ASSUME IT WILL NOT BE MENTIONED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL
PRESENTATION DOCUMENT (CPD) FOR FY 1979.

2. SHOULD THE GOVERNMENT OF EL SALVADOR REQUEST
REINSTITUTION OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE IN TIME FOR
INCLUSION IN THE FY 1979 CPD, THE USG WILL HAVE TO
CONSIDER CAREFULLY US NATIONAL INTERESTS, AMONG
WHICH WOULD BE EL SALVADOR'S PERFORMANCE
ON HUMAN RIGHTS AT THAT TIME.

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3. SHOULD IT BE DECIDED TO RESTORE SECURITY
ASSISTANCE TO EL SALVADOR WE BELIEVE US NATIONAL
SECURITY INTERESTS, WHEN DRAFTING THE "JUSTIFICATION
OF PROGRAMS" FOR THE CPD, SHOULD BE EXPRESSED
MAINLY IN REGIONAL OR GLOBAL TERMS SINCE THOSE
INTERESTS FOR EL SALVADOR ALONE ARE MINIMAL. WHEN
EXPRESSED IN REGIONAL TERMS SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO

EL SALVADOR MIGHT BE JUSTIFIED
ON THE BASIS OF THE
FOLLOWING SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS.

A. (BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED) US SECURITY
ASSISTANCE COULD HELP BRING ABOUT REDUCTION IN
CONFLICT POTENTIAL IN THE AREA, THROUGH REDUCTION
IN ARMS ACQUISITIONS AND MILITARY FORCE IN GENERAL,
BY DISCOURAGING EXCESSIVE AND UNNECESSARY ACQUISITIONS
AND OFFERING ALTERNATIVES THROUGH US PROGRAMS TO KEEP
ACQUISITIONS AT A REASONABLE LEVEL (END UNCLASSIFIED).
(THIS MAY MEAN GETTING INTO BUSINESS OF MAJOR ITEMS,
SUCH AS AIRCRAFT, AND ASSUMES EQUALLY EFFECTIVE
LEVERAGE ON HONDURAS).

B. (UNCLASSIFIED) US SECURITY ASSISTANCE
COULD HELP STRENGTHEN SALVADORAN MILITARY CAPABILITIES
FOR HEMISPHERIC DEFENSE BY ASSISTING IN THE
DEVELOPMENT OF EXPERTISE AND SYSTEMS NEEDED FOR
THE EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF ITS DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT
AND BY FOSTERING THE DEVELOPMENT OF ITS OWN
INDIGENOUS TRAINING CAPABILITY.

4. IN ADDITION, WHILE ALSO POTENTIALLY CONTRIBUTING
TO US SECURITY INTERESTS, REGIONALLY AND GLOBALLY,
THE FOLLOWING CONSIDERATIONS HAVE A MUCH BROADER
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SCOPE IN TERMS OF US NATIONAL INTERESTS, AND COULD
ALSO BE USED TO JUSTIFY RESTORATION OF SECURITY
ASSISTANCE TO EL SALVADOR.

A. US SECURITY ASSISTANCE COULD HELP FOSTER
FAVORABLE ATTITUDE TOWARD THE US, ITS PEOPLE AND
ITS INSTITUTIONS, THROUGH SALVADORAN MILITARY USE
OF IN-COUNTRY ASSISTANCE AND US MILITARY SCHOOLS,
AND THROUGH US MILITARY CONTACTS IN THE SALVADORAN
MILITARY AND SOCIETY IN GENERAL, THUS PROVIDING
ENVIRONMENT TO HELP ACCOMPLISH US OBJECTIVES IN SUCH
FIELDS AS CIVIC ACTION AND HUMAN RIGHTS, AND
OTHER ASPECTS OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

B. (UNCLASSIFIED) US SECURITY ASSISTANCE
COULD HELP PRESERVE US ACCESS TO, AND STRENGTHEN
RELATIONS WITH SALVADORAN MILITARY PERSONNEL AND
INSTITUTIONS, WHICH PRESENTLY HAVE AND MOST LIKELY
IN THE FUTURE WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE POLITICAL
INFLUENCE IN THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT.

5. (UNCLASSIFIED) WE COULD ENVISAGE US ASSISTANCE

ALSO BEING JUSTIFIED SPECIFICALLY IN TERMS OF
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT THROUGH EMPHASIS ON MATERIEL
AND TRAINING FOR CIVIC ACTION.

6. SHOULD THE SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BE
RESTORED FOR FY 1979, GOES WOULD PROBABLY WISH
TO ACQUIRE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WHICH ARE BASICALLY
THOSE REQUESTED BUT NOT APPROVED UNDER FY 77 FMS.
(ALTHOUGH THESE ITEMS PROBABLY WOULD NOT BE
CONSIDERED "MAJOR DEFENSE EQUIPMENT" , MILGP
CONSIDERS THEM "MAJOR END ITEMS" AND AS SUCH
ARE LISTED).

A. TWO 5 TON WRECKERS
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B. FOUR WATER PURIFICATION UNITS TRAILER, MTD

C. 20, 2 1/2 TON M35A1, CARGO TRUCKS

D. 20, 1 1/4 TON M-801 AMBULANCES

E. 3 SETS OF RADIO AND NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT
FOR PATROL BOATS

F. 365 AN/PRC-77 RADIOS

G. 75 AN/GRC-160 RADIOS

H. 75 AN/GRC-160 RADIO INSTALLATION KITS

I. 8 MOBILE MEDICAL SETS (BN AND STATION)

J. 3 T-41 ENGINES

K. 6 C-47 ENGINES

L. 1 DC-6/C-118 ENGINES

M. 1000 LENSATIC COMPASSES

N. 20, 40X20 FOOT TARPAULINES.

7. IN ADDITION, GOES WOULD LIKELY WANT TO ACQUIRE
UP TO 10 F-5 AIRCRAFT IF SUBSTITUTE AIRCRAFT
NOT ACQUIRED FROM THIRD COUNTRY IN INTERIM.

8. IN EVENT ITEMS LISTED IN PAR 6 ARE NOT
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ACQUIRED THROUGH RESTORED FMS PROGRAM, GOES
(WHICH NOT CONSULTED ON THIS POINT) PROBABLY
WILL PURCHASE THROUGH COMMERCIAL CHANNELS, AND
FROM US TO EXTENT US IS COMPETITIVE.

9. GOES WOULD SIGN LETTER OF OFFER, IF TENDERED,
FOR ITEMS IT MAY HAVE REQUESTED UNDER FMS.

10. NOTHING IN THE ABOVE SHOULD BE INTERPRETED
TO INDICATE US INITIATIVE TO BRING ABOUT
RESTORATION OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO EL SALVADOR.
EMBASSY WOULD CONSIDER SUCH INITIATIVE INAPPROPRIATE AT
THIS TIME. GOES REACTION TO REQUIREMENT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
REPORT RELATED TO ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE, WHEN RECEIVED,
SHOULD GIVE US SOME INDICATION OF ITS FUTURE INTENTIONS
REGARDING US SECURITY ASSISTANCE.

11. GOES REQUEST FOR PRICE AND BUDGETING (P&B)
DATA ON POSSIBLE AIRCRAFT PURCHASE HAS BEEN
FORWARDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARMS TRANSFER
POLICY PROCEDURES, AND FURTHER INDICATION OF
DESIRE TO PURCHASE AIRCRAFT WILL CONTINUE TO BE
HANDLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THAT POLICY.
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